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A CARD DISCARDED.—A Mississippi legis-
lator having published Colonel McCord, the
fighting editor of the Vicksburg Herald, as "a
har, scoundrel, and coward," McCord denies the
imputation in the following language:

"With a few words I shall dispose of this card
and its author. The man whose name is at-
tached to it I never saw, that I am aware of.
From his own account he was aggrieved by my
editorial, and for the reason that it might be
construed as a reflection upon him! Instead
of asking for an explanation, and in default of
getting one that was satisfactory, demanding
"the usual satisfaction" recognized by gentle-
men, he rushes frantically to a newspaper office,
and through the medium of the foregoing card,
seeks to relieve his overcharged heart, heal his
wounded honor, and soothe his lacerated sensi-
bilities. If he finds relief and pacific achieve-
ment, it would be cruel in me to deprive him
of such a pleasure.

"As to any opinion the Senator from Monroe
may entertain or express of me, I trust to be
pardoned when I say that I am profoundly in-
different to it. He and I were both born in
Kentucky, and, though it has been many days
since I left that good old State, I am willing to
have the staple product of that country used in
hanging me. If I cannot get a better endorse-
ment from the gentlemen of Kentucky than he
can, fifty thousand Confederate soldiers will
make an affidavit that I am no "coward," and,
as I am tolerably well known in Mississippi, if
the gentlemen who do know me—Whigs, Demo-
crats and Republicans—will not say that I am
neither "clown" nor "scoundrel," I stand pledged
to draw myself in the Mississippi river."

A PRICELESS RECIPE FOR FARMERS.—
Every farmer who has to fence his land knows
too well how quickly posts planted in the earth
become rotten, especially in a damp spot. All
of them will welcome the following process to
prevent rotteness, a process as wonderful in
its effects as it is simple and almost costless.
It is taken from Le Bien Public, of Dijon,
France.

Take linseed oil, boil it, and mix it with
charcoal dust until the mixture has the con-
sistence of an ordinary paint. Give to the posts
a single coat of the mixture or paint before
planting them, and no farther, even living to
the age of patriarchs or old, will live long
enough to see the same posts rotten.

"Some years ago I discovered the way of
rendering wood more durable in earth than
iron itself," says the author of the communica-
tion, "but it seemed to me so simple, and so
inexpensive, that I did not think it worth
while to make much ado and fuss about it.
I used soft wood thus prepared were removed
after remaining seven years in earth, and were
found as sound as when they were planted.
The only precaution to take is to use only well
dried posts before covering them with the char-
coal paint."

The above recipe is certainly cheap, and
seems to be well worth the trial. If what is
said of the efficiency of that simple and cheap
process (about two cents per post) process be only
true, certainly it would save yearly millions of
dollars.

A CLERGYMAN CONQUERS A BURGlar.—A
recent achievement of Rev. D. F. McLeod, an
Episcopal clergyman, residing at Clark Hill,
near Niagara Falls, in Canada, is thus describ-
ed by the Buffalo Commercial Advertiser: On
Wednesday night last Mr. McLeod was awak-
ened from sleep by the feeling of something
wrong about the premises, he proceeded to an
adjoining room and there found a large sized
burglar. Both men being above the average
weight and strength, a pretty lively time
ensued for a few minutes. The minister, deter-
mined on forcing an unconditional surrender on
the part of the burglar, very soon brought his
antagonist to a realizing sense of the power and
influence of muscular Christianity when prop-
erly directed. Succeeding after a violent strug-
gle, in throwing the burglar to the floor, he
held him there until the arrival of a male ser-
vant, who was sent to procure a rope. The ser-
vant was ordered to tie the man, but, through
fear and trembling, his fingers were unable to
perform the office. Seeing that he had only himself
to rely upon, the person placed his
knee upon the breast of his victim, and finally
succeeded, without aid, in securely binding his
limbs, after which he lashed him to a heavy
piece of furniture, and then mounted guard
over him till morning. In the course of the
struggle Mr. McLeod sustained quite a severe
injury to one of his hands, a bone having been
fractured. The burglar was lodged in Wel-
land jail."

A TOUCHING OBITUARY.—The Daily Argus,
of Leavenworth, is no more. The editor of the
Argus, in writing the obituary of his paper,
sums up the history of his enterprise in the
following racy fashion: "About four months
ago we took possession of this paper. It was
then in the very act of peering out, and we
breathed in it four months more life than it
otherwise would have had had we not taken pos-
session of it. Having neither friends, money, nor
credit, we put into it all our surplus cash, and
every dollar of our friends that we could get
but as every body will see, it is no go. Either
the people of the city don't appreciate our ef-
forts, or we don't know how to run a paper.
We went into the business determined to run
it or bust. We have busted. During our
connection with the Argus we have made some
friends and numerous enemies. The former
will have our gratitude while life lasts; the lat-
ter are affectionately requested to go to hell.
With these few remarks we take leave of pub-
lic life, and now propose to enter into a field of
more usefulness, and if God is willing we will
never go into the newspaper business again."

AN OLD USE FOR HAMMERS.—"I remember,"
says a correspondent of the Medical and Surgical
Journal, "that when I was very young they
used to raise blisters with boiled ham-
mers. Old Dr. Twitchell, of Keene, (peace
to his ashes!) once wanted to blister some
one in a farm house, far from home. He
had nothing with him to do it with. He
asked his wife to find him a hammer.—
The article was brought out, put in a
tea-kettle over the fire, and, after the water
steamed and bubbled well, he lifted it out and
gently touched it to his patient in a half dozen
spots over the seat of pain, with very positive
effect. Boiled hammers were, for many years,
used in that neighborhood for pleurisy; and
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